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SUBJ: ECOWAS SUMMIT MEETING

1. I HAVE NOW TALKED TO PRESIDENT EYADEMA, NIGERIAN AMBASSADOR ADEUGA ADEKUOYE, ROMEO HORTON, ECOWAS FUND MANAGING DIRECTOR AND OTHERS ABOUT THE SUMMIT.

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2. EYADEMA SAID HE WAS EXTREMELY PLEASED WITH THE SUMMIT AND THE FACT THAT THE HEADS OF STATE WERE ABLE TO DEAL SUCCESSFULLY WITH A NUMBER OF PROBLEMS. HE MENTIONED THAT THE PROBLEM OF FREE MOVEMENT OF GOODS AND PERSONNEL HAD ESSENTIALLY BEEN SOLVED ALTHOUGH IT WOULD NEED TO BE TAKEN UP AGAIN AT THE NEXT SUMMIT MEETING. EYADEMA MADE NO COMMENT ON THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN

OUATTARA AND HORTON EXCEPT TO SAY THAT THE QUESTION HAD BEEN RESOLVED. I WAS ABLE TO PUT THESE QUESTIONS TO HIM AT A CEREMONY WHERE A NUMBER OF OTHER PEOPLE WERE PRESENT AND HE BECAME VERY ANIMATED WHEN I TOLD HIM THAT THE QUALITY OF HIS SPEECH HAD BEEN VERY HIGH. HE SAID THAT HE HAD WORKED VERY HARD ON THE SPEECH AND IT HAD BEEN WELL RECEIVED. HE WAS PARTICULARLY PLEASED, HE SAID, THAT THE NON-AGGRESSION PACT HAD BEEN AGREED TO. HE SAID IT WAS A SMALL STEP BUT A GOOD STEP. IN THIS CONNECTION HE SAID THAT HE HAD LAUNCHED THE IDEA OF A MILITARY PACT IN HIS SPEECH AS A MEANS OF PUTTING A NEW TARGET BEFORE THE HEADS OF STATE IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO TRY TO MOVE IN THE DIRECTION OF MAKING THE ECOWAS REGION SAFER FROM EXTERNAL INTERVENTION.

3. NIGERIAN AMBASSADOR ADEKUOYE SAID FOR HIS PART THAT THE SUMMIT HAD BEEN QUITE SUCCESSFUL, BUT THAT ROMEO HORTON HAD BEEN SAVAGED. HE NOTED THAT OUATTARA HAD BEEN CONFIRMED IN HIS POSITION BUT THAT HORTON HAD NOT. HE SAID FURTHER THAT A NUMBER OF HORTON'S ACTIONS HAD BEEN SPECIFICALLY CONDEMNED BY THE HEADS OF STATE. MOREOVER, THE HEADS OF STATE HAD PASSED A RESOLUTION FORBIDDING SECRETARIAT EMPLOYEES FROM HAVING DIRECT ACCESS TO HEADS OF STATE EXCEPT THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE MINISTERS. ADEKUOYE SAID THIS WAS SPECIFICALLY DIRECTED AGAINST HORTON AND HIS PRACTICE OF ATTEMPTING TO NEGOTIATE DIRECTLY WITH HEADS OF STATE. ADEKUOYE SAID THAT IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS EVEN THE TOGOLESE HAD NOT SUPPORTED HORTON WHEN HE CAME UNDER ATTACK. HORTON IS NOW DEFINITELY SUBORDINATED TO OUATTARA.  
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4. I HAVE SEEN HORTON TWICE SINCE THE MEETING. HE IS EXTREMELY SUBDUED. HE HAS NOT TALKED MUCH ABOUT THE MEETING. HE COMMENTED CRYPTICALLY WHEN I WENT TO SEE HIM THAT "HE WAS GLAD HE HAD AT LEAST ONE FRIEND." THE LOCAL IMPRESSION IS THAT HORTON WILL NOW HAVE TO WALK THE STRAIGHT AND NARROW AND TO ACT MUCH MORE LIKE AN INTERNATIONAL CIVIL SERVANT THAN HE HAS IN THE PAST. IT APPEARS ALSO THAT PRESIDENT EYADEMA WILL BE KEEPING A CLOSER EYE ON THE FUNCTIONING OF THE FUND.

5. PRESS REPORTS OUATTARA AND HORTON MET WITH PRESIDENT EYADEMA APRIL 30. IN POST-VISIT PRESS CONFERENCE HORTON EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR EYADEMA'S SUPPORT OF HIM AND FUND.  
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